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Title: ASSAY METHODS FOR NUCLEIC ACID IN A SAMPLE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Group Art Unit: 1637

Examiner: J. Tung

Date: October 11, 2002

**RESPONSE UNDER RULE 116  
EXPEDITED HANDLING  
PROCEDURES**

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Sir:

**AFTER-FINAL AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.116**

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

**Fees are attached as calculated below:**

Total effective claims after amendment **61** minus highest number  
previously paid for **40** (at least 20) = **21** x \$ **18.00**

Independent claims after amendment **19** minus highest number  
previously paid for **14** (at least 3) = **5** x \$ **84.00**

If proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, add \$280.00 (ignore improper)

Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this  
paper and attachment(s) (\$110.00/1 month; \$400.00/2 months; \$920.00/3 months)

Terminal disclaimer enclosed, add \$ 110.00

☐ First/second submission after Final Rejection pursuant to 37 CFR 1.129(a) (\$740.00)

☐ Please enter the previously unentered, filed

☐ Submission attached

**Subtotal \$ 798.00**

If "small entity," then enter half (1/2) of subtotal and subtract

☒ Applicant claims "small entity" status. ☐ Statement filed herewith

Rule 56 Information Disclosure Statement Filing Fee (\$180.00)

Assignment Recording Fee (\$40.00)

Other:

**TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED \$ 399.00**

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-1140. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

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